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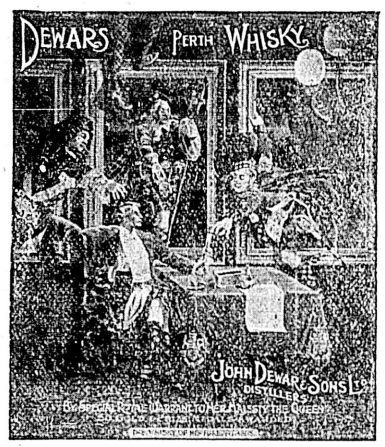

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A general meeting of the above Society will be held in Committee Room, City Hall, Wednesday evening, the 24th inst., at 8 o'clock.

D. B. HOLDEN, Hon. Secretary.
fe23

FUNERAL NOTICE.

Members of Vancouver and Quadra Lodge, No. 2, A.F. and A.M., are requested to meet at the Masonic Temple, Douglas street, on Wednesday, February 24th inst., at 2 p.m. sharp, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother James McArthur.

Members of Victoria Columbia No. 1, United Service No. 24, and sojourning brethren are respectfully invited to attend.

By order.
C. FLETCHER, Secretary.
fe23

I. O. O. F.

The officers and members of Columbia Lodge No. 2, I.O.O.F., are requested to meet at their Lodge Room on Wednesday next the 24th February, at 2 o'clock p.m. sharp, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother J. McArthur. Members of other lodges and sojourning brethren are cordially invited to attend.

By order of the N.G.
R. W. FAWCETT, Rec. Secretary.
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Funeral Notice.

Sons of England are requested to meet at the Lodge Room, A.O.U.W. hall, TO-DAY (Tuesday) at 2 o'clock, to attend the funeral of our late Brother Arthur Churton, of Alexandra Lodge.

J. CRITCHLEY, Secretary.
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Victoria Building Society.

The 57th Drawing for an Appropriation in connection with the above Society will be held at Sir William Wallace Hall, Broad Street, opposite View, on Saturday, 27th February, 1897, at 8 p.m.

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THE CRISIS AT CRETE.

British Liberals Object to Interference With Men "Fighting for Freedom."

Government Leaders Explain the Necessity for the Action of the Powers.

Grecian Soldiers Prove Courageous Under Fire, But Lacking in Discipline.

ATHENS, Feb. 22.—A great indignation meeting was held here to-day to protest against the bombardment yesterday by warships of the powers of the insurgent camp near Canea. Shouts were raised for war and the speakers vehemently declared that the country was now fully determined to sacrifice its blood and treasure in the aid of Crete. Premier Delyannis addressed the throng from the terrace in front of the ministry of finance, and declared that the cabinet was in perfect accord with the nation, which might be assured that the government will do its duty. It is reported that the minister for war has resigned, while the minister for foreign affairs has called at the foreign embassies and lodged protests against the bombardment of the insurgents' camp by the foreign warships.

The English men-of-war opened the bombardment and the others followed. The Kaiserine Augusta fired Melinite shells. The commander of the Greek man-of-war cleared for action in case that necessity should arise. Some shells fell in the town of Canea, raising clouds of dust. It is rumored that several persons were killed, but when the firing ceased the Greek flag was still flying over the insurgent camp.

Later information indicates that no insurgents were killed by the cannonade, the damage done being purely material. The French and Italian ships did not fire because the Greek flag was lowered before their turn came.

STRONG LANGUAGE USED.

British Liberals Join in Protest Against the Bombardment—An Exceptionally Delicate Crisis.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, Mr. Curzon, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day, said the presence of Greek troops in the Island of Crete has so far appeared to have added to the disorder. The powers, he continued, did not intend to delegate to the Greek forces the duty of keeping order in the interior of the island. Mr. Curzon denied that a warship had attacked the Greeks, insisting, however, that the foreign fleets had no choice but to prevent by force the continued advance of the insurgents on Canea.

The statement was greeted with opposition cries of "shame," mingled with cheers from the ministerial benches.

Mr. Henry Labouchere moved the adjournment of the house in order to call attention to the firing upon Greek forces by British warships, and all the members of the opposition present rose in support of the motion. The question was not, he said, a party one but a national one, "and," he added, "the Liberals will do their utmost to prevent further action in behalf of that miserable cur, that foul blot upon civilization, the Sultan of Turkey.

The speaker pointed out that the rules of the house required the use of more respectful language towards a foreign sovereign, whereupon Mr. Labouchere apologized, explaining that he was carried away by the statements of Mr. Gladstone and others.

Mr. John Dillon, chairman of the Irish parliamentary party, seconded the motion to adjourn the house in order to call attention to the firing on Greek forces by British warships, and in doing so, said that the house had been too long silent, and as a result, Her Majesty's ships had committed an outrage in firing on a people who, after centuries of oppression, were risking their lives for freedom.

Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader, dwelt upon the difficulty and danger of the present crisis. The powers, he explained, were absolutely unanimous in agreeing that they should do everything to avert war. The fears arising from the situation, Mr. Balfour continued, were shared by all responsible statesmen throughout the length and breadth of Europe. He added,

"Will anyone maintain that after the powers had occupied the towns of Crete they were to fold their arms and sail away? I do not desire to conceal anything; but regarding the future the government is absolutely bound by certain conditions of international communication."

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader, who was loudly cheered by the opposition, said that the time had come when the voice of England ought to be heard. Continuing Sir William asked: "What is the interpretation of England's position? Why are we in Crete? What are we doing there? The only policy worthy of the government of England is to detach Crete from Turkish rule. Public opinion is shocked at England appearing as the active opponent of the Greeks. The bombardment has placed England in a false position in the eyes of the world. I protest, until Crete is emancipated, against Great Britain taking arms against a people fighting for freedom.

Several prominent Liberal followed, supporting Mr. Labouchere's montion and dwelling on "the stain on the British flag," because of the firing. The first Lord of the admiralty, Rt. Hon. George J. Goschen, on the other hand, maintained that the bombardment was to be regretted, but it was a necessity. The insurgents could not be allowed to place guns, he added, where they commanded a town which was occupied by foreign marines. He protested against Sir William Vernon Harcourt's interpretation of the bombarding as being intended to repress a people fighting for freedom. Mr. Goschen said that the government had done its best to hold an even scale between Christians and Mussulmans.

The vote was then taken with the rejection of the resolution on a vote of 243 to 135.

ANARCHY ON THE INCREASE.

Latest Report of the Admirals as To the Situation in Crete—The Other Version of the Bombardment.

PARIS, Feb. 22.—An official dispatch received here to-day from Admiral Pottier, the commander of the French squadron off Canea, island of Crete, states that the admirals have informed their respective governments that anarchy continues to increase in Crete, and that they cannot any longer be answerable for avoidance of conflicts unless they are authorized to prevent the landing of all munitions and the powers obtain the recall of the Greek troops and warships. The admiral adds that during Sunday, in spite of the repeated protests of the commanders of the foreign fleets, the insurgent outposts continued to advance and engaged in a fusilade with the Turkish outposts before Canea.

After consultation the British, Austrian, German and Russian ships opened fire, and only ceased when the Greek flag was lowered.

A dispatch received here this evening from Athens says that Greece has declared that if the bombardment of the insurgent positions in the island of Crete is repeated she will break off diplomatic relations with the powers. On the other hand it is stated that Assin Bey, the Turkish minister at Athens, threatens that Turkey will break off her relations unless the Greek troops are withdrawn from Crete.

The Greek cruiser Psara completed her outfitting at Toulon and sailed thence today for the Piraeus.

In the chamber of deputies to-day M. Denyscochin (Rightist) questioned the government on the Cretan question. He said that the return of the island to Turkish rule was now impossible.

M. Millorand (Socialist) supported M. Denyscochin's remarks; he said that all the powers were acting from disinterested motives, and France's care should be the honor and interests of France. His statement was greeted with cheers from the Left.

M. Hanotaux, minister of foreign affairs, replying to M. Denyscochin, who also criticised the government's Armenian policy, said that Europe had the choice of forcible or pacific measures, and she chose the latter. Therefore France would not herself intervene forcibly. One power, he added, had actually proposed forcing the passage of the straits of the Dardanelles and seizing the Sultan in his palace; but Europe had not consented to this. England, he continued, then came back to France's proposal for a conference of the ambassadors at Constantinople, with the view to reorganize and not destroy the Turkish empire. This proposition, M. Hanotaux further stated, as already known, was accepted.

THE BATTLE AT VOUKOLIES.

Young Soldiers of Greece Win Praise by Their Bravery, But Require To Be Disciplined.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Athens says: "When Fort Voukolies fell Col. Vassos learned that the Turkish garrison from Canea was advancing to succor the defeated Turks. He dispatched a body of insurgents to meet them and speedily followed himself with his troops. In the plain of Livudia 1,500 Turks and 2,500 Turkish-Cretans with three guns were engaged in a battle with the Cretan insurgents. The Greek troops deployed, and after ninety minutes' fighting swept the plain, forcing the Turks to take refuge in Canea. Col. Vassos burned the fortified barracks at Livadia and the Aghi blockhouse.

"The Greeks lost four sub-lieutenants killed and twenty officers and men wounded. The Turkish losses are unknown. In obedience to the order of the King of Greece, Col. Vassos recalled his troops to Platonica."

Describing the fight the Canea correspondent of the Daily News says:

"The Cretans suffered heavily by their own fault. They disobeyed the order to withhold their musketry fire until the work of the artillery had been completed. They wasted 50,000 cartridges and lost thirty men in maintaining a furious and foolish fire, advancing to within 100 yards of the redoubts, while the Turks fired splendidly, wasting but few bullets. The Cretans were obliged to send to Platonica for more ammunition, which arrived on Thursday night, with four guns. The Cretans at this time surrounding the fort disobeyed orders and dispersed in search of food, the Turks profiting by the position evacuated by the Cretans.

"On Friday morning, when the guns had been placed in position, and they were about to resume the bombarding, the troops were surprised to see the Cretans plant their flag upon the deserted fort. Thirty-two dead Turks were found inside the fortifications, which were blown up by dynamite. The Greek troops were all young men who had never before been under fire, and they displayed coolness, courage and enthusiasm. The Greeks took ten Turkish soldiers prisoners."

A Greek merchant steamer was captured this morning and towed into the harbor at Canea. The German man-of-war Kaisere in Augusta has arrived and landed thirty men, who have now joined in the occupation of that town. Two Russian terpedo boats are at anchor in Canea harbor."

Humors, pimples, boils are very annoying. They quickly disappear when the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

CANADIAN COMMERCE.

The 1896 Trade of the Dominion Eclipses That of Any Previous Year.

Great Britain Still the Largest Market for Canadian Products.

Tariff Revision Produces Cabinet Dissention—No Dismissal for Partizanship.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 22.—The trade and navigation returns, out to-day, aggregate the Canadian trade of last year at 239 millions—the best in the history of the Dominion, being 14½ millions over '95. Exports to Newfoundland fell off half a million and to the West Indies $900,000, but they increased to South America by $193,000, while slight increases are reported in the exports to China, Japan and Australia. Britain is our best customer, exports there being valued at 66 millions and those to the States at 44 millions.

It is reported that Hon. Mr. Borden may resign his portfolio any day, the state of his health being such as to compel him to retire. D. C. Fraser, now here, is likely to succeed him.

Rumor has it that the cabinet is split in twain over the question of tariff revision. Some of the ministers contending that in the present state of the revenue it would be folly to make sweeping reductions, while others insist that the party platform must be carried out, and a revenue tariff adopted.

The Dominion executive board of railway employes to-day met the Premier and the Minister of Railways and Canals. The question of dismissals on the intercolonial railway was discussed and Hon. Mr. Blair promised that no dismissals for alleged political partisanship, where the party dismissed considered it to be unfair, should be forced until Mr. Bedard, to whom the railway orders are favorably disposed, had made an investigation. He also promised that no inquiry should extend beyond the time just before the last general election. The railway men were well satisfied with the result of their interview.

Mayor Bingham startled, if not amused, the city to-day by issuing invitations to six hundred city ladies to lunch with him next Thursday. No gentlemen will be admitted.

BENIN CITY TAKEN.

British Troops Occupy the Fulahs' City and and Destroy the Crucifixion Trees.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—A despatch from Brass, on the West Coast of Africa gives details relative to the capture on February, 18 of Benin City by the British naval expedition against the Emir of Nupe. There was an eight hours' running fight and a stubborn resistance on the part of the Fulahs. Four whites, including Dr. Fyfe, were killed and sixteen wounded.

The expedition found Benin City reeking with human blood, many human beings having been sacrificed and crucified by the fulahs. The troops destroyed the crucifixion trees and the juju houses.

THE KING WILL TAKE COMMAND.

George of Greece Sails for Crete to Take Charge of His Forces—Fired on the White Flag.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Athens says: "It is believed that it has been decided to call out three more classes of reserves. It is impossible for the King of Greece to draw back—if he should do so there would be neither crown nor government within twenty-four hours."

The Italian, English and Russian consuls have returned to Canea from Selinos, accompanied by 170 Mussulman fugitives. They were unable to hold conferences with the chiefs of the belligerents, who are conducting a war of extermination. Both sides have mutually massacred prisoners. Two thousand civilians and two thousand five hundred Turkish soldiers are resisting the advance of the insurgents with three cannon. The position is extremely critical. The consuls proceeded to Cadano by ship, they were fired on in spite of the white flag of truce being carried.

ATHENS, Feb. 23.—The Greek ship Thesselia has returned to Milos, having failed to land the arms or provisions anywhere on the Cretan coast, owing to the foreign warships. Prime Minister Delyannis in the legislative chamber denied all reports of the landing of Turkish troops on the island of Crete.

BERLIN, Feb. 23.—The Lokal Anzeiger is authority for the statement that the King of Greece has sent a telegram to Christian IX, King of Denmark, to the effect that he has decided to sail for Crete to take command of the Greek forces there.

That the blood should perform its vital functions, it is absolutely necessary it should not only be pure but rich in life-giving elements. These results are best effected by the use of that well known standard blood-purifier, Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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DECLINED THE OFFER.

City Council Do Not Feel Able to Purchase the Invertavish Estate.

School Trustees to Be Asked to Change Their Minds About Building Improvements.

At last night city council meeting the first business taken up was in a letter from the secretary of the school board, stating that they had reduced their estimate for salaries from $38,490 to $36,825. The mayor supposed that the council would have to provide the money for this, but advised the passage of a resolution requesting the school trustees not to ask the council to place a by-law before the people for the proposed alterations to the High and Central school building at a cost of $17,000.

Ald. McCandless could not see any advantage in sending back this last matter to the school board. Probably they would simply return it to the aldermanic board.

Ald. Vigelius wished the council to express an opinion. He had been told that $1,000 judiciously spent on that building would make it all right for two or three years. He moved, seconded by Ald. Hall, that the council inform the school trustees that the city was not in position to stand the expenditure of $17,000 for the purpose asked and to request the trustees not to ask for that amount.

This met the views of the council and the resolution was carried.

A request was received from the Salvation Army that the council remit the rent of a room in use by them at the city market. The reason given was that "times were hard."

Ald. McCandless inquired if the rest of the rooms in the market were bringing in a rent.

The Mayor—"No."

Ald. McCandless—"Then what is the use in turning the Salvation Army out, if no one else is likely to hire it?"

Ald. Stewart was afraid it would be a bad precedent to remit the rent for other tenants would then be making the same request. He moved that the matter be referred to the market committee, for report.

Ald. Vigelius moved in amendment that the Army be informed that they could have the rooms at the same rental as last year, and that the market superintendent be instructed to collect the back rent.

The amendment was lost and Ald. Stewart's motion carried.

F. M. Brayshaw was the successful tenderer for the city dump cart. There were five bids for the work: William Gimm, $100; John Meston, $95.50; Ledingham Bros, $89; A. McGregor, $115; and F. M. Brayshaw, $75. Mr. Brayshaw was also successful in his tender for street sprinkler, his price being $425, while the other tenders were: Wm. Grimm, $475; John Meston, $477.50. The conditions for these contracts are that both street sprinkler and dump cart be of home manufacture except such parts as are of necessity obtainable elsewhere, and delivery is to be within six weeks.

On the Mayor's suggestion Ald. Vigelius moved that a committee be appointed to consult with the city barrister and city solicitor with a view to obtaining amendments thought necessary by the council in the municipal clauses act. Ald. McCandless, Partridge and Harrison were named as the committee, the resolution being carried.

Ald. Kineman's motion to call for tenders for teams to draw the street sprinklers was passed.

The aldermen settled down to ballot on the applications for cemetery caretaker. There were 27 candidates, and on the fourth ballot two only were left—J. Creeden and A. Wood. On the fifth round Creedon won by five to four and was declared by the Mayor as elected to the position of caretaker of the cemetery.

Ald. Hall moved that Hon. J. S. Helmcken's letter offering the Invertavish estate for sale to the city as a park addition be referred to the park committee to report at next meeting.

In amendment Ald. McCandless moved that the council was not in a position to entertain the offer at present.

The amendment was carried and the council adjourned.

ROYAL TEMPLARS.

Delegates from All Parts of the Province Arriving for the Session To-morrow.

By this evening's Charmer are expected to arrive the delegates to the Grand Lodge of the Royal Templars of Temperance, and Mr. W. H. Buchanan, the editor of the Templar, the organ of that body, of Hamilton, Ont. Mr. Buchanan is a noted temperance orator and is also to take part in the business of the session.

The Royal Templars of the city will meet the boat on her arrival, and the guests will be escorted to the Sir William Wallace hall by *un garde d'honneur* of the Cadet Templars under the command of Captain Cooper. The delegates will meet in session on Wednesday morning, when committees will be appointed, books audited and the preliminary business of the session attended to. The session will continue until all business is disposed of.

In the evening a lecture will be delivered by Mr. W. H. Buchanan in the Metropolitan Methodist church, being "The Prohibition of Æsop." This lecture will be rendered doubly interesting by illustrations drawing by J. W. Bengough, the "Furniss" of Canada, the slides being manipulated by Mr. Noah Shakespeare. Mr. Clement Rowlands and Rev. P. C. L. Harris will also contribute to the evening's entertainment, and Rev. W. Leslie Clay, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, will occupy the chair.

The Cadets Templar held their annual church parade last Sunday as a fitting preliminary to the ensuing function, marching in a body to Calvary Baptist church, where the service was conducted by Rev. Ralph W. Trotter.

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"BALAMBA" AGROUND.

A Cargo Ship En Route to This Port Reported in Trouble.

Narrow Escape of the Steamer "Enterprise"—Sealers on the Move—The "Miowera."

The Port Townsend Leader says: "Steamer Enterprise has not lost her wheel in her late contact with the elements on the British side. The shaft was broken by coming in contact with a big log, rendering the steamer unable to make any headway by propulsion. The small jib was set, but it proved insufficient to keep the steamer from the rocks. Although the Enterprise was badly pounded and shaken up and came nigh being lost, the damage is not at all serioes. The steamer will be hauled on the ways here, and will be ready for service rgain in a week's time."

THE "SPEKE" TO BE SURVEYED.

The Puget Sound tug Wanderer came in on Sunday with the ship Speke, the lumber laden vessel which put back to Port Angeles last week through stress of weather and with cargo shifted. She was towed to a mooring in Esquimalt, and this morning a survey will be made to determine what part of her cargo has moved and how much of it will necessarily have to be restowed.

MARINE NOTES.

News has been received, though not by the local agents, Messrs. Turner Beeton & Co., that the British ship Pass of Balamba, which sailed from Liverpool on the 7th ultimo with general cargo for Victoria and Vancouver, grounded while entering one of the harbors of the Falkland islands. She was visiting the islands, the dispatch says, to have some repairs made to her rigging which had been damaged in a storm.

More sealers are preparing to leave. The Maud S., Captain McKiel, sailed on Sunday; the Minnie is alongside Turner Beeton & Co.'s wharf fitting out; in the upper harbor the Arietas, City of San Diego and Otto are preparing to get away this week. The Dora Sieward and Zillah May sail to-day.

There are now two American revenue cutters cruising in search of the missing schooner Aida, out 71 days from Shanghai. The Grant sailed from Seattle on Sunday evening, having telegraph instructions to proceed direct to Cape Flattery, and if needs be as far as 700 or 800 miles off shore.

Though due on schedule time, the Canadian-Australian steamship Miowera is not expected from the South before the 5th of March owing to this being a short calendar month. The is reported to have aboard 1,500 carcases of mutton and 25 beeves for Vancouver, in addition to her ordinary consignments.

The Coquitlam has arrived at Vancouver from the halibut banks with 25,000 pounds of halibut.

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By order

J. BUNTZEN,

fe6 Secretary.

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Having frequently lost sheep by dogs worrying, chasing and killing them within the last few months, and yesterday having lost 23 ewes and 2 valuable rams from same cause, I feel reluctantly compelled to adopt such measures for the protection of my flocks as are available. I therefore notify the public that poison will be placed on said farm on and after this date.

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We hereby give notice that application will be made at the next sittings of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for the transfer of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the Saint George's Hotel, Esquimalt Road, from ourselves to Mrs. Ann Rothwell.

Dated 21st January, 1897.

JAMES MARCH.
DAVID CLARKE.

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MATERNITY HOME for married ladies, 129 Johnson street. Applicants please apply at the Home, or to Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay road, or Mrs. Flumerfelt, Pemberton road.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Learning a Lesson as to Music Halls—The Telephone Cable Repaired.

The Windstorm Accident at Nanaimo —Silver Bell Mine Shows Good Ore.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 22.—After some delay Moodyville is again connected with Vancouver by telephone. The cable was successfully laid across the inlet yesterday at a point where the inlet is a mile wide, between Hastings and Moodyville. It took but three-quarters of an hour to complete the work, the line being tested at intervals during the time the cable was being reeled off.

Still another smelter proposition is to hand, submitted through Mr. O. L. Spencer acting for capitalists in Toronto and Rossland.

The Western Canada Packing Company will start building a cannery on Westham island on the first of next month.

There are numerous music halls, so called, throughout the city—indifferent imitations of the famous Victoria Trilby and Delmonico. Vancouver's imitations are run in conjunction with saloons—there are no paid performers, and any one in the audience who is moved to entertain the company has permission from the management to do so. Owing to the tremendous church and temperance opposition licensed music halls are forbidden by law. The opposition can now plainly see that it would have been far better to license one or two music halls that to have half a dozen free-and-easys, several degrees below the licensed halls applied for, that the authorities are obliged to tolerate owing to the proprietors evading the law in the letter if not in the spirit.

NANAIMO.

[From the Nanaimo Free Press.]

Dr. Davis reports to-day that Mrs. Zelley is doing as well as can be expected after the very severe bodily and mental strain that she has suffered and the injuries that she has sustained. She is still, however, in a very serious and critical condition. The two children that were injured are recovering quite rapidly and in a few weeks will again be able to join there father at the home. The loss of his house and property, of his little boy, and the sad affliction which has come upon his wife and daughter have been a very great trial for Mr. Zelley, and left him in a very unfortunate condition by the severe loss that he has sustained. The hard times had been very severely felt before his great calamity, and now he is left in a financial condition in which the citizens of this city should feel a deep sympathy.

ROSSLAND.

[From the Rossland Review.]

Surface work on the Silver Bell the other day disclosed some remarkably fine galena. Several hundred pounds of the ore was brought into the camp and is being exhibited at the company's office, where it attracts much attention. It is of very eigh grade and carries high values in silver, with a good percentage of lead and some copper. There is about three feet of ore showing on the surface.

It is reported that a two-foot vein has been struck in the shaft of the Annie E., a claim on Deer Park mountain. Seven men are working on this property.

The machinery for the R. E. Lee has been installed and will be in operation before the end of the week, with the exception of the hoist, which is now en route.

The new shaft on the Homestake is now down 100 feet, with no sign of either wall. At 120 feet a crosscut will be driven each way.

THE VICTORIAN HOME HELPERS.

Further Particulars of the Philanthropic Project for the Commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee.

A special meeting of the Woman's Council was held yesterday afternoon at the city hall, at which, among other things, a communication from Lady Aberdeen, outlining the proposed "Victorian Order of Home Helpers," was read and discussed.

This scheme, which is to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty, includes a plan which would bring nursing aid within the reach of the settlers in those outlying districts which are to be found in all the provinces. The need of proper nursing, it is well known, is the direct cause of untold misery in many of the homes of British Columbia's settlers, and not only is it proposed that the attention shall be given to the women, but the care of the men will also come within the scope of this benevolent scheme.

This will be a particular boon to mining sections, where many a stalwart young fellow has been rendered a cripple or invalid for life through lack of a little proper care at a critical time. Trained nurses would be out of the question; therefore the Victorian Order of Home Helpers has been proposed as a substitute.

Candidates will have to pass an examination as to fitness, this examination having an especial bearing on a practical knowledge of midwifery; first aid to the injured and simple nursing; and a general knowledge of housekeeping, sanitation and ability to prepare suitable meals for invalids. A badge and uniform will be provided. Districts wishing to secure the services of a Home Helper would be required to raise a sum towards her maintenance, which would be paid to the central committee, who would fix the charge, or suitable board and lodging and means of conveyance could be substituted for a cash payment.

Provision is also made for the care of families unable to pay anything, so that the services of the nurse might be had free of charge. Proper care would be taken so that the working of the scheme would not interfere with the professional services of either doctors or trained nurses. All arrangements would be made so that it would be an honor to belong to the order and the members regarded as public servants.

It is proposed to open a fund for establishing the order in Canada, and to put the scheme in proper working order not less than one million dollars will be required. This would mean a contribution of but one dollar from every family in the Dominion.

Lady Aberdeen's communication and the project outlined were discussed yesterday but action in the premises was deferred until the annual meeting of the council, which takes place on the 8th March next.

Two resolutions were also framed for presentation at the annual meeting; one with respect to the scientific temperance instruction in schools, and the other looking to the severance of liquor licences from the grocery shops.

CLAMOROUS FOR WAR.

America's Interest in the Cuban Question Intensified by the Death of Dr. Ruiz.

A Citizen of the United States Murdered in a Spanish Prison.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Once again the more hysterical of the papers of the United States are clamorous for war, recent developments in the Cuban situation having greatly increased the delicacy of the relationship between the government of this republic and that of Spain. The circumstances surrounding the death of Dr. Ricardo Ruiz furnish the explanation of the augmented interest in Cuba's affairs, and even the more conservative journals of this city and the national capital are agreed that a full and immediate explanation in connection with Ruiz's death is due to this government from that of Spain. In connection with the case which has so intensified public feeling in this country, a World special from Havana, via Key West, says:

"Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, a naturalized American citizen, arrested on suspicion by the Spaniards a week ago, was found dead in his cell at Cuanabacon jail last Thursday. The body bore marks of violence, but Jailer Fondeviela said he died by suicide.

"Consul-General Lee sought the privilege of viewing the body and asked for a full statement of the circumstances of his death. The Spanish at first ignored both requests. General Lee telegraphed to Washington, but no reply was received. On Friday Consul-General Lee imperatively demanded that the body of Dr. Ruiz be turned over to him and an autopsy made by two physicians, one of whom should be designated by General Lee. Marquis Ahumada, acting as captain general in place of General Weyler, who is in the field, issued the necessary orders, but so long was the delay that, although Cuanabacon is less than three miles from Havana, General Lee was not admitted to the prison until Friday afternoon, thirty hours after Dr. Ruiz's death, and barely in time to stop the burial of the American physician in a plain pine coffin by a squad of negro Spanish servants.

"When the coffin was opened it was found that Dr. Ruiz's face had been so battered with blows and so cut with wounds as to be almost unrecognizable. The other prisoners said that piercing cries were heard from his cell on the night of his death. General Lee could reach no other conclusion than that Dr. Ruiz had been murdered. He immediately ordered an autopsy to be made, the result of which will not be known until to-day. He cabled the results of his investigation to the state department, but again no response came.

"In the meantime Scott, another American, has been kept 11 days in solitary confinement at Regla, just across the bay at Havana. General Lee has been refused permission to even see him. This is a plain violation of the treaty of rights. It is feared he, too, has been slain.

"Dr. Ruiz was a naturalized American citizen, who studied and practised dentistry in Philadelphia for some time and returned to Cuba about the beginning of the present insurrection."

THE MAN IS FOR WAR.

BUFFALO, Feb. 22.—The record has this special from Washington: "Senator Sherman, commenting on the death of Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, said: 'The only way to put an end to the atrocities is to declare war on Spain. I know not what course Secretary Olney may pursue, but this is no longer a question of belligerency but one of the foul murder of an American minister held as a suspect. We have already recognized Cuba's belligerency by an act of congress passed last session, but we have not recognized her independence. We have a right to interfere if either Spain or Cuba fails to carry out civilized warfare, though the death of Ruiz is quite another matter. I suppose Secretary Olney, having requested an investigation, that if that investigation shows that an American has been murdered, Spain will be asked to make reparation. If she refuses to do so the United States ought to force her by declaring war. We cannot afford to stand idly by and permit the Spaniards to butcher Americans as they please. We are bound to protect our citizens. I think the Americans in Cuba can be protected, even if we have to resort to arms.'"

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TWO JUBILEE SUGGESTIONS.

We suggest it as fitting that Canada should mark the diamond jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty by an address from parliament, praying that the name of Canada may appear in the title of the Sovereign and that a sprig of maple may appear on the imperial arms. Such a request would be in some respects very timely. Much has been said and written in recent years in regard to British interests and British rights upon this continent, and from the very nature of the case Canada has been forced to remain silent. There was no way in which the people of the Dominion could make an emphatic protest against the oft-made assertion that Canada is honeycombed with disloyalty to the British Crown, or could give a dignified answer to those who profess to see already the dawn of the day that shall witness the withdrawal of the British flag from America. It seems to us that such an opportunity is now at hand, and it will be a splendid demonstration of the true attitude of Canadians towards the Empire if Mr. Laurier, when he goes to London in June next, shall bear with him the petition of the people of Canada through their representatives in parliament assembled, asking for the special recognition of this Dominion in the manner suggested. Bestriding a continent, this Young Giant of the North reaches out one hand to the Mother Land and the other to her noble sister beneath the Southern Cross. What though oceans separate them. The ocean is Britain's empire. The pathless wastes of the deep may separate but can never divide British hearts. The waves are links in the chain that binds our distant coasts together. Canada is the keystone of the world-encircling empire. Hail to Victoria, Empress.

The second suggestion is in the nature of an object lesson. It is understood that military bodies will be sent from all the principal colonies to take part in the jubilee demonstration. We suggest that the troops from Australia, India and Hongkong should travel by way of Canada. It is fitting that on their way to the capital of the Empire they should demonstrate not only the essential unity of the Empire in sentiment, but its actual unity in point of fact. Let troops from India, Australia and the Orient be landed on the Pacific Coast of Canada and be carried across to Halifax and not only the world at large, but British subjects everywhere will be awakened to a new idea of what the British Empire means When Disraeli sent the Indian troops to Cyprus, Europe was taught a lesson that has not since been forgotten. It would not be amiss to give another demonstration of a similar character. Detachments of native soldiers from trans-Pacific countries, escorted at the beginning of their journey by the Asiatic squadron, met off this Coast by the North Pacific squadron, welcomed in the Strait by the guns at Esquimalt, landed at Victoria long enough for a review with the garrison and local militia, taken hence to Vancouver, thence across the Continent to Montreal, thence to Quebec, where ceremonies suitable to their visit to that fortress could take place, thence over the Intercolonial to Halifax, another great stronghold, and escorted to sea by the North Atlantic squadron, would be a demonstration of imperial power such as no other nation, past or present, could so much as attempt. All that is necessary to enable it to be done is for the order to be given. Everything can be got in readiness on short notice. The moral effect of such an event would be inestimable.

WATER RIGHTS.

Mr. Cotton appears to have given a good deal of attention to the question of water rights and it is to be hoped will shortly have an opportunity of fully placing his views before the house. He only said enough yesterday to make every one wish that it had been within the rules of the house for him to have said more. The subject is one of considerable difficulty and there appears to be a disposition on both sides of the house to assist in framing a measure which will meet the exigencies of the case. What few remarks the Premier made show that the government is desirous of receiving suggestions from those who have given the subject consideration from a practical standpoint. A view, which meets much favor, is that no company should receive an indefeasible title to water privileges or franchises more extensive than it is able to use, when granted, in such a manner that the public interests will be served, such rights to be given under a general law and under government supervision.

No legislation regarding the supply of water, light or power to towns will be adequate unless provision is made for municipal ownership, or reasonable terms whenever the municipality shall desire to acquire it. At the outset it will be undoubtedly necessary to permit private enterprise to put in water, light and power plants; but private ownership should be upon condition that municipal ownership may be substituted at any time, of course, on payment of a proper sum for the plant, but the water franchise should in such an event not be regarded as an asset of the company. In other words, all the company ought to have is the user of the water, this user to become forfeit to the Crown the instant it is not employed for the purpose for which it was granted and to pass, without any monetary consideration being paid, to any municipality, which shall determine upon owning and operating a water, light and power system from the same source of supply on the company being recouped the cost of its plant. We lay stress upon this point, for the history of municipalities is full of instances where franchises have been given to companies for nothing only to be purchased back again at an enormous cost. British Columbia ought to begin right.

PROF. CROOKES ON VIBRATION.

When we say that a man is "no great shakes," it is generally understood that our opinion of him is not particularly exalted. Professor Crookes, who is up-to-date in all matters, has been telling a London audience lately some things to indicate that the slang of the streets has simply anticipated the discoveries of science. In the first place, he made the new departure of saying that psychical phenomena are worthy of serious attention, a statement so radically unlike what we have been accustomed to hear from men who use the test tube, the balance and the microscope, that the London Times thought it worth a leading editorial. But he did not stop at this point. He went further, and intimated the line along which investigation should go, even suggesting the point at which discoveries are likely to be made. Here is where the shakes come in.

Professor Crookes takes a pendulum for his illustration, and supposes its vibrations to begin at the rate of two a second, and to be increased in geometrical progression at the ratio of two. At the fifth step, that is when the vibrations have reached 32 to the second, sound begins, and it continues growing higher in tone until the 15th step is reached when sound ceases, or at least becomes inaudible, and electrical phenomena begin. These, he thinks, cease at the 30th step. What is developed in the steps between the 30th and 45th is absolutely unknown. Above the 45th light begins, and somewhere about the 60th step Prof. Crookes suggests that the Roentgen ray is produced. Further than that he is not prepared with suggestions. Without professing to have definitely settled the matter, he estimates that the phenomena called psychical are developed from the vibration of matter at some one of the steps between the 30th and 45th.

We have read something of this kind before, but this is possibly the first time that a very distinguished man of science has lent his name to such a suggestion. In a very remarkable book, published about thirty years ago and called The Unseen Universe, there was an attempt to demonstrate that the only difference between the seen and the unseen was in the rapidity of the movement of the particles of matter, and to prove that ultimately the Seen would become the Unseen. This book has been much quoted by orthodox writers on religious subjects. If we remember aright, Professor Drummond makes very frequent reference to it. The theory is singularly in harmony with the hypothesis of vibration, which Professor Crookes has now thrust into the very forefront of public attention. In so doing he takes his stand upon the unappreciated immensity of human ignorance. He supposes the existence of a man with such infinitely small proportions and intelligence that his range of vision and observation would be confined to a cabbage leaf, and suggests that the inability of such a creature to appreciate the Universe as we understand it, and modern civilization as we enjoy it, may serve to illustrate our ignorance of what are the possibilities of matter in the higher steps of vibration. If the 60th step gives us the Roentgen ray and an insight into the interior of substances, what would the 100th step give to a creature capable of appreciating it. Certainly the wildest freaks of romance, the wierdest story in fairy lore are commonplace beside the vista of possibilities which Professor Crookes suggests.

THE Nanaimo Mail says: "Mr. Ebert's Master and Servant Act was up for discussion. The COLONIST with its customary sagacity, says the majority, in killing the clause relating to outside contracts being valid in British Columbia, were in the wrong. That one clause had it been allowed to stand, would have made the whole act wrong." There was not the slightest necessity for the Mail to have made this exhibition of ignorance. The section referred to had no bearing whatever upon the rest of the act except to make contracts under it made, no matter where they were entered into, enforceable in this Province.

REFERRING to a complaint made in Victoria that the bank charge of 50 cents a month, when a current account shows an average balance of less than $200, is excessive, the London Financial News says: "To anyone with an account at one of the London joint-stock banks the charge would seem very moderate, for the custom at most of our banks is to charge two guineas a year when the average balance is below £100. In British Columbia the minimum is fixed at only £40, and a charge of 24s. per annum for keeping a current account with an average balance of less than £40 does not, to our ideas, appear at all excessive."

SALISBURY'S answer to the Emperor William, when the latter asked Great Britain to join in a blockade of the Piraeus, is worthy to go on record. The people of Great Britain would not permit it was the substance of the reply. This must have sounded strangely enough to that belated survival of the Middle Ages, who occupies the imperial throne of Germany. The people will not permit it—a fitting answer from the Premier of our "crowned democracy."

SENATOR SHERMAN has spoken very strongly in favor of war with Spain as the only means of protecting American citizens in Cuba. As Sherman will be Secretary of State in ten day's time, his utterance possesses a peculiar significance.

SOMETHING very like a war is in progress in Crete.

THE CANADIAN PRESS,

THE EXPENDITURES IN KOOTENAY.

It would seem that the government has done fairly well by Kootenay and that its residents have not so just a ground for complaint as they believed they had on account of the expenditure of public money in their district.—Vancouver World.

THE SMELTER QUESTION.

The solution of the smelter question is to be found in a liberal and wise railway policy. When the Crow's Nest Pass railway is constructed and coke can be brought into Kootenay district cheaply, this question will naturally disappear and smelting will be done on this side of the line as on the other side.—Rossland Record.

MUST NOT BE IMPOSED ON.

If the Canadians wish to hold their self respect they will have to pass a law equally as stringent as the alien law in force in the United States. While they are at it the fact must not be lost that Canada must have the same laws regarding mineral locations as the United States. Equal rights we must have, or else allow the world to look upon us as a lot of low grade business fools.—Denver Ledge.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Bliffers (reading)—Science now recognizes a condition called "intoxication by radiation." Many cases of drunkenness are cited in which the victim had touched nothing alcoholic, but had simply been in the company of drinkers.

Whiffers—Cut that out, I want to show it to my wife.—Pearson's Weekly.

"Are you my own sweet potato?" he asked tenderly. "I yam," she replied with heartfelt affection.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

"Them eggs is mighty derned old," remarked Uncle Swayback to the waiter; "I'll bet them's the lays of ancient Rome I've heard tell of."—Nebraska State Journal.

"Won't you take this seat?" said the gentleman in the car, rising and lifting his hat. "No thank you," said the girl with the skates over her arm; "I've been skating and I'm tired sitting down."—Yonkers Statesman.

A lady cyclist in knickerbockers was riding in the neighborhood of Wareham. She lost her way, and seeing a countryman in front, rode up to him, alighted, and said: "Can you tell me if this is the right way to Wareham?" The man looked her up and down with great attention, and then slowly replied: "Yes, miss—yes; you seem to have got em on all right."—Tit-Bits.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Rules are intended not to obstruct, but to facilitate the work of legislation. Moreover the house has absolute control over its own rules. No British court will presume to ask whether or not the rules of the house have been complied with in regard to any bill. The house is and must of necessity be the final judge of such matters. It is worth mentioning, however, that the Supreme Court of the State of Washington has held otherwise in regard to laws passed by the legislature of that State.

Mr. Speaker was right in his ruling on Mr. Booth's motion in regard to report of the private bills committee. The exact facts of the case were that Mr. Booth had asked unanimous consideration for the report and it was granted, but before an entry was made in the journal the Premier asked if the report had been acted on and, on being told that it was, said he had not so understood the matter, whereupon Mr. Speaker said that it was not too late to withdraw it, and he expressly stated that the unanimous consent to the suspension of the rule would be considered as withdrawn. Now the unanimous consent of the house having been withdrawn because it had been granted through inadvertence there was nothing before the house, and Mr. Speaker was clearly right in holding that a debate was not in order.

The subject involved in Report 8, that of water rights, is of immense immense importance. Mr. Cotton was quite correct in defining the principle that ought to govern the house in dealing with this question; but where the difficulty comes in is in the application of the principle to the several questions arising from time to time.

The "mortgage tax" seems to have no very warm friends on either side of the house. The opposition and the private members on the government side have an advantage in discussing it. They can deal in "glittering generalities;" but the government members have to face the hard question of how to get the revenue which the province must have to meet its expenses. No one supposes that the individual members of the government are any more regardless of the welfare of mortgagors than any one else; but they have necessarily to appear at a disadvantage in comparison with the rest of the house in expressing sympathy with the distressed taxpayer. After all the Premier got down to the hard facts of the case when he said that all taxes are paid by "the last man," that is the rich man pushes their payment on the man of less means and he to the next and so on until it comes to the man who earns his living by the sweat of his brow, who must pay them because he cannot shove them on to someone else.

The government policy of colonization is good in theory, and, when it has had time to produce its expected results, will be found good in practice.

Everyone was glad to see Mr. Kitchen in his place in the house, and although he does not look as strong as his friends could wish, it is good to see him able to take part in the discussions and give his valuable aid in the perfecting of legislation.

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THE CITY.

THERE was a largely attended meeting of the Natural History Society last evening. Apart from general informal discussion of a number of matters, the business was mainly routine.

MR. COOKSLEY, of New Westminster, is to lecture this evening at the annual children's tea meeting of the Metropolitan Methodist chuch, which is to be held in their commodious schoolroom.

A MUSICAL entertainment will be held in St. James hall on Tuesday next in aid of the organ fund of the church. Some specialties are in preparation and a good programme may be looked forward to.

THE Sons of England are requested to meet at the A.O.U.W. hall this afternoon at 2 to attend the funeral of the late Arthur Churton, a member of that society. The Companions of the Forest also attend, as an expression of their sympathy with Mrs. Churton—who is a prominent member of this society.

A VERY sad case was that of which the last chapter was closed yesterday afternoon, when Rev. J. P. Hicks officiated at the funeral of the late Mrs. Dockings, from Hayward's undertaking parlors, services afterwards being held at the Metropolitan church. Mrs. Dockings leaves a sorrowing husband and family of little children, one of whom is but a few days old.

The ladies who tried our first batch of Aerated bread were disappointed in it, said it was no good. Right too. The ovens being new, were damp, the bread was spoiled. But everything is now in perfect running order, the ovens are thoroughly dried out, and we are making Aerated bread "the wholesome kind" to perfection. Lawrence, the caterer.

THE city health authorities, Ald. Partridge, Hall and Stewart, accompanied by Dr. Fraser, city health officer; R. Chipchase, sanitary officer; and Dr. Richardson, paid their quarterly visit to Darcey island, Sunday, with provisions and stores for the lepers. No change is apparent in the condition of the seven inhabitants of the little colony, and all are in excellent spirits.

FOLLOWING the remains of the late Mrs. W. R. Marshall to the grave yesterday afternoon were many sorrowing friends—people who had intimately known and highly esteemed the deceased lady. The funeral took place from Christ Church cathedral, where as also at the grave Rev. W. D. Barber officiated. The pallbearers were G. S. Williams, John Jamieson, W. J. L. Hamilton, J. Maddick, A. Heathorn and F. Nicholson.

THE Epworth League of the Centennial church entertained their friends last evening in the school room, on the occasion of their anniversary, the following programme being effectively rendered:

Opening remarks.....President W. Hall
Instrumental duet.....The Misses Taylor
Reading.....Mr. Stephenson
Solo.....Miss Grant
Instrumental solo.....Miss Spence
Secretary's report.....
Reading.....Mr. Weeks
Instrumental duet.....The Misses Davey
Address.....Rev. J. F. Betts

Then followed a swift collection, while refreshments terminated a most enjoyable evening among the gay party of Leaguers.

WHERE will the next "find" be made? Victoria may yet have a mining district in its immediate vicinity, for Clover Point, until recently the resort of the riflemen, the beach wood gatherer and the searcher for the succulent clam, is now marked by the ubiquitous, in this province, miner's stake. Some weeks ago Mr. Henley, of the Cliff house, accidentally knocked off a piece of beach rock with his axe. On looking at it he found it to be rich in mineral. Communicating this to his friends they immediately began to stake out claims and record them in compliance with the Mining Act. The holders of these claims are very enthusiastic about their find and declare they have struck a regular bonanza.

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£ bicycle, "built like a watch" on view at Nicholles & Renouf's. A. J. Dallain, sole agent. x

W. T. HARDAKER will hold an important sale of furniture, buggies, etc., at his saleroom to-day at 2 o'clock.

THE steamer Walla Walla, from San Francisco, arrived at 11:30 o'clock last night, bringing 100 tons of freight and 22 cabin passengers for Victoria.

THE men of the ship Lyderhorn were again remanded in the provincial police court yesterday afternoon until 10:30 this morning, owing to the absence in Port Townsend of Mr. Newman.

THIS evening the city council will meet in private to discuss the troubles of the fire department, and will vary the sitting by trying to finish up the estimates so as to have them in shape for presentation as soon as possible in public session.

THE citizens of Victoria will be sorry to hear of the sad bereavement under which Mr. R. U. Venning is now laboring in the loss of his 19 year old son, Norris Venning, from la grippe. Mr. Venning was in Victoria some time in connection with the Behring sea claims commission.

THE Epworth leaguers of the Metropolitan and Centennial churches had their annual "shake hands" and a cup of coffee and cake last evening. Many ladies were in attendance, and a programme of song and instrumental music, recitation, etc., made the evening pass enjoyably and profitably.

THE Victoria branch of the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will hold a general meeting in the committee room of the city hall to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, when it is expected the branch will be put on a sound basis and an officer appointed to take an active part in farthering the objects of the society.

A CONCERT will be held in the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Feb. 23, 1897, in aid of Y.W.C.A.: Piano solo, Miss Wilson; song, Mr. Kent; song, Miss Brown; song, Mr. G. C. Jones; song, Mrs. Rickaby; song, Miss Newling; ten minutes intermission; song, Mrs. D. R. Harris; violin solo, Mr. Lombard; song, Mr. Goward; song, Miss Millie Carr; song, H. E. A. Robertson; song, Miss Schwengers. x

THE mortal remains of William Booth, the father of pioneers, who died on Friday last, were on Sunday laid to rest in the Ross Bay cemetery. Right Rev. Bishop Cridge, of the Reformed Episcopal church, and Rev. Dr. Wilson, conducted the services at the church and at the grave side. A number of the pioneer's oldtime friends attended him on this his last journey, as well as numerous younger people, The pallbearers were Messrs. Wm. Clarke, F. Carne, sr., J. Pearse, William Humphrey and Miles.

COLLECTIONS within the last few days for the national Indian famine fund, not previously acknowledged, are as follows: Col. J. Baker, $5; Hon. G. B. Martin, $5; Hon. D. M. Eberts, $10; C. Booth, $2.50; W. S. Gore, $2.50; W. A. Carlyle, $2.50; S. D. Pope, $2; Arthur G. Smith, $2.50; A. I., $5; Col. Falkland Warren, Salmon River, $5; A. M. Jones, $5; A. R. Jones, $10; John C. Wollett, $2; A. R. T., $1.50; Mrs. Lee, $1; and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mong Kow, $2.50. In connection with the lecture on "India," to be given at A.O.U.W. hall on Thursday evening, by Mr. J. W. Laing, M.A.—for the benefit of the fund—an additional strong attraction was arranged last evening, musical selections being promised by a number of the members of the Arion club under the direction of the able leader of that popular organization, Mr. William Greig.

THE dance held under the auspices of No. 1610, Premier L.O.L., last evening was a great success financially and socially. The A.O.U.W. hall, in which the function took place, was tastefully decorated with the banners and emblems of the order, and the bright dresses of the ladies, together with the uniforms and signs of rank worn by some of the gentlemen lent to the assembly a very pleasing aspect. A very good programme was given; the floor was good, and the music, rendered by Mr. Fred. Richardson's Vancouver orchestra, satisfactory to all. Supper was served at midnight in the usual good style, after which dancing was kept up long into the "wee sma' 'oors." The floor managers were Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Duncan, Wilson and Grimason, through whose endeavors the proceedings went smoothly and without a hitch.

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BICYCLISTS BEWARE.

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At the city council meeting last evening, Alderman Partridge's famous bicycle by-law, which was laid over for three months by the late council, rose up again to the fly of Ald. Stewart, who expressed some curiosity to see what it was like. It was then placed on the file for a second reading next Monday. As COLONIST readers will remember, this by-law will restrict the votaries of the wheel to a very considerable extent, regulating the speed of riders to 10 miles an hour as a maximum, prohibiting all sidewalk riding in any part of the city, and requiring every one to carry an alarm, bell or whistle, which must be sounded at every crossing, turning and corner, under the penalty of receiving a billet doux on blue unscented paper from the powers that be.

Two of these have been already presented to two unwise but enthusiastic cyclists, who will appear before the magistrate this morning to explain the reason of their wheeling on that part of the public street devoted to pedestrians and perambulators, and sad to say one of the summoned parties is a lady. The other is said to have knocked down a little child while riding on Vancouver street, and not even had the thought or courtesy to have stopped and picked the child up. It is on account of riders like these that the whole of the cycling community must suffer. It is no doubt due to the actions of these and such as these that the council have resuscitated the by-law proposed by Ald. Partridge last year.

THE RING.

THE MORE THE MERRIER.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 22.—Director-General Dan Stuart is pleased with the announcement that there is a possibility of the Missouri legislature legalizing boxing, and that a committee of that body may be sent here to see how the big mill is conducted so as to be in a position to make a report. He has sent the following telegram to Representative Radie, who introduced the resolution calling for the appointment of an investigating committee:

"In anticipation of the passage of your resolution I have reserved for the use of your committee five of the best seats in the pavilion. Glad to have you come and investigate."

MUCH TALK CONDENSED.

Pompadour Jim and Fitz are both doing hard work for the great battle on March 19. Fitz's backers are confident that he will secure the verdict, and say that if the Australian lands but once, it will be all over but the shouting. Julian left Carson for San Francisco last evening, but will return on Wednesday. Corbett is not quite so loud in his talk, but tells the crowd to wait until the arrival of Brady, and then they will see some fun. He denies Sharkey's statement that Sharkey had a letter in his possession from him that would stamp him as a "fakir." James Kelly, of New York, is said to have placed $100,000 even on Fitz, while Corbett money is carce.

HERE AND THERE.

RANDOM NOTES OF PASSING EVENTS.

The recreation grounds at Oak Bay will be ready for play on Saturday next, when—as it is probable the regulation sticks will not have arrived from England in time for play—it is proposed to play a mixed or ladies game, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. Ladies wishing to participate can obtain sticks from M. W. Waitt & Co., Government street, or on the ground.

The 1897 models of the Windsor—the Royal Blue "American Beauties"—are now on exhibition in Victoria, at Geo. R. Jackson's.

A whist contest between the members of the Victoria Chess Club and those of the Arion Club has been arranged for next Saturday evening.

A Melbourne cablegram last night says the Australian baseball team has decided to make a tour of the United States, and will sail for San Francisco to-day.

FLAGS were floated at half-mast on all the C.P.N. fleet in port yesterday, out of respect to the late James McArthur, whose sudden death was chronicled in Sunday's COLONIST. The deceased has been in the C. P. N. Co.'s employ for many years and has been in the province in the neighborhood of twenty-six years. In the early seventies he and Mr. Andrew Gray brought out from Scotland two traction engines, intended for use on the Cariboo road, but which for some reason never proved successful. He was for a time engineer at the Moodyville sawmill, and in 1876 bought an interest in the Beaver, a river steamer, which, after being brought here from Portland, was in service until her wreck on the Stickeen river. The cause of the death is to be the subject of an inquest, which Coroner Crompton holds to-day.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

TENTH DAY.

MONDAY, Feb. 22.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

Hon. James Baker presented the twenty-fifth annual report of the public schools.

Mr. Kellie presented a petition for a bill to build bridges over the Columbia at Trail and Robson.

Mr. Hume presented petitions for private bills from the Nelson & Bedlington Railroad Company, Noble Five Mining Company, and Fort Steel & Golden Railroad Company; also a petition by the residents of Slocan City against granting water privileges.

Mr. Rogers presented a petition for a private bill to incorporate a railway from Ashcroft or Kamloops to Barkerville.

Mr. Helmcken presented a petition from the Victoria, Vancouver & Westminster Railway for an extension of time; also a similar petition from the Delta, New Westminster & Eastern Railway.

These petitions were read and received, as well as the following:

By Mr. Cotton, from Herbert S. Halt and others, for a private bill to incorporate "The Kootenay Power and Light Company."

By Mr. Helmcken, from J. A. Mara and others, for a private bill to incorporate "The Grand Forks Water, Power and Light Company."

By Mr. Helmcken, from John A. Manly and others, residents of Grand Forks, supporting passage of bill to incorporate "The Grand Forks Water, Power and Light Company."

Hon. G. B. Martin presented a return called for by Mr. Hume's motion of the amount of timber dues collected in Kootenay, collections for cordwood, names of collectors and amounts collected in 1896. This showed the amount of timber dues to be $6,801; cordwood, $6,573. A return was also presented showing the amount received for land transfers in West Kootenay in 1896 to be $3,758.35.

The address which the special committee appointed for the purpose had drawn up to present to Her Majesty was presented by the Premier and read:

"*To Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India:*

"MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN—

"We, the Speaker and members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects in parliament assembled, beg to offer our most sincere and devoted congratulations upon your having attained in your memorable reign to a period the most extended in the history of the vast Empire over which you so graciously rule.

"On the occasion of the attainment of the fiftieth anniversary of Your Majesty's reign, your subjects, the Speaker and members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, presented an address of congratulation, in which they expressed themselves in the following manner:

"The many years during which Your Majesty has reigned have been marked by a progress in the arts and sciences, the extension and consolidation of British interests throughout the world, and by a policy calculated to ameliorate the condition of the human family.

"We desire to express our profound admiration of the example afforded by Your Majesty's most noble life, which will ever be looked upon with pride by your loving subjects.

"We feel unbounded satisfaction that the capital of our Province bears the revered name of Your Most Gracious Majesty and that it will ever be a memento of the proudest era in British history.

"We pray that the Almighty in His Providence will spare Your Majesty long to reign over us, and will bless Your Majesty with health and happiness.

"We sincerely beg to renew our expression of these sentiments, which time has only served to strengthen and confirm, and to assure Your Majesty that it is with most heartfelt satisfaction and feelings of thankfulness that we have viewed throughout succeeding years the continuance of that wise policy and illustrious example which have been such potent factors in maintaining the integrity and grandeur of your Empire.

"We have viewed with profound satisfaction the efforts which have been made to consolidate the material and political interests of your Empire, and to more closely unite the important parts of which it is composed, and we trust to see realized in the near future the anticipations of many of your illustrious statesmen and of the greater number of your loving subjects.

"We pray again that the Almighty in His Providence will spare Your Majesty long to reign over us, and bless Your Majesty with continued health and happiness."

The Premier said "In rising to move the adoption of the address prepared by the select committee of the house in commemoration of Her Majesty's long reign, and which is in accord with the sentiments which have been or will be expressed, I am safe in saying, by every parliamentary assembly, large or small, throughout the wide extent of the British Empire! I feel that Providence has answered in a very special way the prayer of that song we have so often sung and which is a tradition of every loyal gathering of her subjects: "Happy and glorious, long to reign over us, God save the Queen." I am performing a paramount duty as leader of this government in asking this assembly to join with all other assemblies in Canada in presenting its congratulations to Her Gracious Majesty not only because she has reigned the longest of any sovereign of Great Britain, but because her sovereignty has been the noblest, the most notable and the most productive of beneficent results of any—I will not say of the British Empire—but in the history of the world. This is a remarkable claim to put forward on behalf of Queen Victoria, but one which no impartial student of history will dispute. She has been the greatest queen of a great people in the greatest age of the world. Of her it may well be said she is loved by all, honored by all, and feared by none.

"Although during her sixty years of rule there have been witnessed some of the greatest and cruellest of wars, the empire has enjoyed, with few exceptions, a long period of peace and prosperity, the results of which have been most marked in the development of the arts and seciences and material resources.

"We can hardly realize what has taken place in so long a reign. In 1837 when Her Majesty succeeded to the throne there was not a single settler in what was then the vast country known as the Oregon territory, and in fact on the whole of the Northern Pacific coast. A few there are who sat in the old Vancouver Island parliament of 1856 and who lived in the province at the time; and we do them honor as our very oldest pioneers, and yet Queen Victoria had then reigned twenty years. The whole country west of the Mississippi river and that west of the Great Lakes containing a population of between ten and fifteen millions of people, has been settled and developed since her ascension to the throne.

"I am getting to be an old man myself, and among my first vivid remembrances is the talk amongst school boys of the coronation at London, which some of their parents had made a journey to London to catch a glimpse of. About that time, too, was opened one of the first railways in England, the Manchester and Liverpool, at which, you will remember, Mr. Huskisson was killed.

"In Britain the whole political, financial and industrial system has been revolutionized since sixty years ago; the Reform Law, repeal of the Corn Laws, the establishment of Free Trade, the Penny Postage system and other great movements have culminated, and we think of such men as Lord Macaulay, Daniel O'Connell, Cobden, Wellington, Peel, John Bright, John Stuart Mills, Canning, Henry Hallam, Thomas Carlyle, Lord Lytton, Thackeray, Dickens, Wordsworth, Tennyson, Lord Brougham, and hosts of other great names of men, all passed away, and who illumine the pages of the history of the nineteenth century.

"The application of steam for motive purposes, which practically originated with this century, has developed to be a tremendous power, and has given us the great systems of railways and ocean navigation we have, and afforded an impetus immeasurable to industry in a new form, in connection with the wonderful progress of tools and the utilization of wood, iron and other materials in various ways. Electricity followed, which, among its other wonders, has brought the ends of the world into speaking distance of each other. We have seen great ship canals constructed, phenomenal bridges built, the great Industrial and Art Exhibitions, which I may say were originated by the Queen and her Royal Consort, and commenced with that fairy-like structure in Hyde Park, in 1851, the original and model of most that followed, culminating at Chicago a few years since.

"Such is not half the record of this great reign. But it is not on account of what has been accomplished while Her Majesty has ruled that we admire her, or to-day tender our congratulations. It is because of her qualities as a woman, her virtues and wisdom as a queen, and the loyalty and allegiance we owe to her as head of the British Empire, that we desire to honor and commemorate the attainment of the sixtieth year of her reign.

"Summing up her reign, I cannot do better than quote from her own words, speaking in the third person, in a letter to Sir William Vernon Harcourt in connection with the demonstration of sympathy from her loyal subjects drawn forth by an attempt to shoot Her Majesty while leaving Windsor station on the 2nd March, 1892. After refering to the outburst of loyalty in her behalf, speaking in the third person, she says:

"'It has ever been her greatest object to do all she can for her subjects and to uphold the honor and glory of her dear country, as well as to promote the prosperity and happiness of those over whom she has reigned so long, and these efforts will be continued unceasingly to the last hour of her life.'" (Loud applause.)

Mr. Semlin, the leader of the opposition, in cordially seconding the adoption of the address, said he need not recapitulate the great achievements of Her Majesty's reign so ably referred to by the Premier. He could only add that he hoped that Her Majesty would live to see the various parts of the mighty Empire over which she reigned drawn closer and closer together in bonds of unity, and that she might be long spared to reign over a peaceful, happy and contented people. (Applause.)

The resolution was then put by the Speaker and carried with much enthusiasm.

Mr. Booth presented the fifth report of the select standing committee on private bills and standing orders as follows:

"Your committee beg leave to report that the standing orders in connection with the undermentioned petitions have been complied with: No. 21. Petition of Warburton Pike; No. 24. Petition of the British Columbia Power and Light Co.; No. 32. Petition of the Kootenay Power Co.; No. 23. Petition of the Nanaimo-Alberni Railway Co.; No. 31. Petition of Nelson Waterworks Co.; No. 30. Petition of the Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Co."

The report was received.

Mr. Booth presented the sixth report of the select standing committee on private bills and standing orders as follows: That with reference to the petition of the Vancouver and Victoria Electric Railway and Navigation Co., your committee finds that the standing orders have not been complied with by reason of non-publication in the newspapers published in the cities of Vancouver, of New Westminster and in the districts of New Westminster and Yale, but owing to the enterprise being presumably in the public interest and the petition being otherwise in order, your committee recommend the suspension of the rules so as to admit of the bill being introduced.

In explanation Mr. Booth stated that the promoters had failed to properly advertise their notices in the districts through which the road was proposed to pass. It was a piece of gross carelessness, but the committee had thought it best as the question was of great public interest, to report as they did to the house and allow the house to take such action as it might consider best.

Mr. Speaker remarked that the matter was a most serious one and he questioned whether it was possible to suspend the rules.

The report was received.

The private bills committee also presented another report, which read:

"That in view of the large number of applications made at the present session for water privileges and of the importance of the subject, the committee would respectfully recommend that the government should introduce legislation dealing with the question of the appropriation and utilization of water."

Mr. Booth, in moving the adoption of this report, said that several companies were applying for the same water powers, and the reason of the report was that some rule might be fixed in regard to these water rights.

The Premier was of opinion that it might be well to refer such an important question to a special committee to discuss the pros and cons. It was too important a matter to decide off hand, and he would ask that the report be held over.

To this Mr. Booth agreed.

Mr. Cotton, because the matter was so serious, wanted some immediate action taken. It was a question that had been before the house for some years, and the sooner it was disposed of the better for the house and the people. There were numerous companies now before the house asking for very large water powers, some of them covering areas of country 30 and 40 miles in extent. He would not for a moment hinder the introduction of capital or hamper enterprise, and would like to see some legislation in accord with the recommendation of the committee.

Mr. Speaker here directed the attention of Mr. Cotton to the fact that he was out of order, as the motion to adopt the report had not been recorded.

A discussion arose as to whether there was a motion before the house or not, and finally Mr. Booth asked to withdraw his motion to suspend the rules.

The Premier explained that the government would be able, he thought, to give a decision of some kind next day on this important subject. The report was therefore laid over; but the rules were suspended in the case of three other reports presented by the committee, which were adopted.

The house then went into committee on the message of the Lieut.-Governor transmitting the Farmers' Institute bill. The bill was reported to the house and put down for second reading on Thursday. The following private bills were introduced:

Mr. Helmcken—"Okanagan Waterpower Co; South Kootenay Waterpower Co."

Mr. Graham—"Fairview Power, Water and Telephone Co."

Mr. Booth—"West Kootenay Power and Light Co."

The bills were read a first time and referred to the private bills committee.

Mr. Walkem moved, seconded by Mr. Helmcken, "That in the opinion of this house a tax upon mortgages is one which bears unduly upon different members of a community."

The general opinion was, Dr. Walkem said, that the tax was unduly oppressive. If the tax was borne by the person who lent the money it would be well and good, but it was really the mortgagor who paid. His idea in moving the resolution was to obtain an expression of opinion from the house upon the abstract principle as to whether mortgage tax was advisable or not.

The Premier remarked that this was a question which already had the most serious consideration of the government. The government were quite aware that the object for which the tax was intended was to a certain extent defeated by conditions agreed to between borrower and lender. But there was the same trouble with some other taxes notably the real estate tax. There seemed to be only one way and that was doing away with the personal property tax altogether and he questioned if that would be advisable for then the tax would have to be placed on land. If it was placed on the land the farmer would have to pay from 50 cents to $1.50 a year more on $700 worth of property than at present. By the removal of the mortgage tax too the money-lenders would be altogether exempt from taxation. The government had the whole matter under most serious consideration to see whether it were possible to get some scheme so that the borrower would not have to pay the tax. As he would like the matter to go over for a short time, he moved the adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Mr. Kellie moved, seconded by Mr. Hume, for "(1) a return of all correspondence between the Minister of Finance or any official of the treasury department and the manager of the Vancouver World newspaper relative to the advertising of the provincial tax sale in the district of Westminster, and (2) a return showing the space occupied in the World by the said tax sale in inches and lines, the number of insertions given thereto, and the rate per line for the space occupied charged and paid therefor by the government, as well as other services rendered in connection with the aforesaid sale in the Vancouver World newspaper and the British Columbia Gazette, as well as any correspondence which may have passed between any member of the government, the queen's printer and the manager or proprietor of the Vancouver World in connection with the printing and publication of the tax sale referred to."

Dr. Walkem moved in amendment to add "also correspondence between any official of the treasury and any other person as to advertising in the World." Carried.

Mr Booth introduced a bill "to impose certain restrictions upon the granting of liquor licenses in rural districts."

Mr. Irving moved seconded by Mr. Helmcken—That an order of the house be granted for a full return of all papers and reports from any person or persons, and correspondence between any members of the government and any other member of the government, and between any member of the government and any other person; also a detailed statement of money expended by the government in connection with the Quatsino and Cape Scott colonization scheme.

Capt. Irving expressed himself as not in favor of the colonization schemes up the Coast.

Hon Col. Baker remarked that the house was aware that the province imported three quarters of the food it used and this would lead people outside to have the false impression that we had very little agricultural land. It was to settle up the rich areas along the Coast that this colonization scheme had been entered into, and the satisfactory results at Bella Coola bore out the wisdom of the government. A few more years would see many flourishing settlements on the coast of Mainland and Island. These settlers principally brought in now were Scandinavians, and there was a Danish colony about to establish in the north of the island. The place to which they proposed to go is near Cape Scott, and they propose to go in for fishing as well as farming. That was the information he had to give the hon. member, and he believed that with patience it would be found that it would have the result of bringing in a large and desirable class of settlers.

Mr. Semlin held that the land laws today were not calculated to draw settlers, and undue advantages were given to these colonists over other settlers.

The Premier thought that Mr. Semlin misunderstood the act and seemed to think that the part referring to colonies applied only to the Coast. This was not so, for it applied to any part of the province. Of course on the Coast transportation by water was very much easier and cheaper. To Capt. Irving the Premier pointed out that settlements along the Coast made business for steamships, and he bore testimony to the value of the Scandinavians as settlers.

Mr. Kitchen, who appeared for the first time in his place in the house yesterday, having been ill for some time past, said that the government were giving assistance to the colonies that they did not grant to individual settlers in other parts of the province.

Mr. Huff did not object to the government's policy, but believed that 160 acres was too large a grant to settlers—eighty acres was quite enough.

Mr. Cotton was of opinion that the settlers should not be obliged to pay stumpage for cordwood, and would like to see the land law amended in this respect.

Mr. Booth did not believe in having immigration agents inducing people to come here, many of whom would be unable to adapt themselves to the conditions of a bush farm.

Mr. Graham agreed with him in this.

Mr. Macpherson took exception to Mr. Odlum having been paid to attend the immigration congress, and to the government having furnished him with magic lantern slides for lectures in England.

Hon. Col. Bader replied that Professor Odlum was furnished with some slides to enable him to give lectures on British Columbia in England. The class of immigration they hoped to attract from Great Britain was mainly composed of farmers' sons, the same class of men who had helped to settle up Eastern Canada.

Mr. Adams thought that the present mining development would result in a farming class following without the need of immigration agents.

Mr. Kennedy favored leaving the settlement of the country to those immigrants who would come unassisted.

Hon. Mr. Martin, in reference to the remarks of Mr. Cotton, said that the timber of the province was as much an asset of the province as mineral, and the province had a right to make revenue out of it. If this provision was not in force people would take the opportunity of denuding the timber lands without the province obtaining any benefit from them.

Captain Irving, in closing the debate, renewed his objections to the colonies placed up the coast.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Adams moved, seconded by Mr. Rogers, for a return of the dues collected on cordwood in the different districts of the province, as provided for in the Land act of 1896. Carried.

Mr. Semlin moved, seconded by Mr. Cotton, that a select committee, composed of Messrs. Booth, Walkem, Stoddart, Forster and the mover, be appointed to inquire into the state of the public health in the principal centres of population, with power to call for persons and papers and to report to this house.

The Premier showed that the health board had been working vigorously towards improving the sanitary and health conditions in all parts of the province, and a full report on this subject was expected to be presented to the house in a very few days.

Mr. Booth saw no need of the resolution, for the board of health were in a far better position to report than any committee of the house.

Dr. Walkem complained that in the appointment of a sanitary inspector the government had slighted the families of the older residents by appointing a comparitively newcomer.

Hon. Mr. Eberts was satisfied that the last gentleman knew nothing of what he spoke of. Mr. Eberts proceeded to point out that the old residents were not slighted in appointments made by the government. It had always been the object of the government to make fair and just appointments. The Premier had not exceeded his duty, but when an emergency arose it was the duty of the government to act promptly, and this was what they had done in carrying out the provisions of the health act to appoint an inspector when there was a threatened outbreak of disease in certain localities of the province. He hoped when the estimates came down that gentlemen on both sides would raise both hands in accord with the action of the government in striving to safeguard the public health.

Mr. Kennedy hoped the resolution would pass, for he had heard some rumors as to the quarantine station at William Head, and while that station was not in the care of the Province, but of the Dominion government, yet he supposed it would be within the power of the committee to inquire into these rumors and see if they were true or not.

The motion was lost on the following division:

For—Messrs. Kitchen, Kennedy, Hume, Macpherson, Kidd, Sword, Semlin, Cotton, Graham.—9.

Against.—Messrs. Huff, Smith, Mutter, Helmcken, Turner, Martin, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Rogers, Irving, McGregor.—15.

Mr. Hume asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines:

1. How many owners of mineral claims have paid into the provincial treasury $100 in lieu of performing the annual amount of assessment work required by the Mineral Act?

2. What amount has West Kootenay contributed in lieu of assessment work?

3. What is the total amount derived from the above sources?

Hon. Col. Baker replied:

"The information asked for is not at

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.
Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U.S., by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

ED. LINES, General Scavenger 236 Yates street.—Yards, etc., cleaned. Orders left at Geo. Munro's, 89 Government street; Speed Bros., corner Douglas and Fort; or Blair & Gordon, corner Menzies and Michigan, will be promptly attended to. de8

TENDERS.

NOTICE.

Lease of Timber Limits

EAST KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

Sealed tenders will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to 4 o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, from any person, persons or corporation, for permission to lease the undermentioned lands for the purpose of cutting spars, timber or lumber, subject to the provisions of the "Land Act," and amendments thereto, viz.:

Lots 260, 261 and 262, Group 1, East Kootenay District, containing in the aggregate 2,680 acres

The competitor offering the highest bonus will be entitled to a lease of the premises for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified bank cheque to cover the cost of survey, $800.00, the first year's rental, $402.00, and the amount of the bonus tendered. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 20th January, 1897. ja17

India Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada:

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

To His Honor: the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.:

After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

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Are opened at the following places: City Hall, the Public Schools, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, COLONIST office, Times office, Province office and Board of Trade Building.

It is to be hoped that the people of this city will respond liberally to the appeal for assistance on behalf of millions of our fellow subjects in India who are now suffering from famine and pestilence. The smallest contributions will be thankfully received, and the total amount realized will, I feel confident, show that Victoria is equally ready with her sister cities in the East to contribute her share to the Canadian fund for the relief of suffering humanity.

CHARLES E. REDFERN,
ja29 Mayor.

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CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command,
JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.
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NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.
January 2nd, 1897. ja12

A VISTA OF FASHION.

NEW YORK AND PARIS MODES FOR SPRING AND SUMMER.

Prevailing Colors—Popularity of the Tailor Made Costume—Dressy House Gowns. Fad For Diaphanous Fabrics—The Many Uses For Grass Linen.

Black and white is again a favorite as well as becoming combination. That small black and white check known as shepherd's plaid is revived. Much of the new millinery is black, trimmed with black and white. Popular colors for the popular tailor made gowns this season are blue, brown, tan and gray, with some decided contrast in color for waistcoat facings and linings.

Narrower skirts and smaller sleeves are observable in the newest tailor gowns, the modified leg of mutton sleeve being the model in New York, though some of the English gowns show the close sleeve.

Numbered with the more dressy gowns, not tailor made, are those of silk and wool goods. Mohairs in novel patterns are considered desirable. A charm-

AFTERNOON GOWNS.

ing afternoon gown seen was of striped mohair, trimmed with jet and sequin embroidered plaits. The puff sleeves were set in tiny tucks on the shoulders. Another pleasing afternoon gown had a broche silk bodice, made with a tulle collar and front. It was enriched with embroidered yoke and braces. The skirt was of grosgrain silk.

Chiffon continues to be a favorite of fashion, and tulle, gauze and other diaphanous fabrics are in high favor. Grass linen has taken the feminine world by storm. It is seen everywhere and promises no end of comfort for the hot summer days. Some of it is embroidered and some of it striped with lace insertion and with tucks. It may be permitted to make shirt fronts, or indeed whole bodices, with success. The whole bodice of grass lawn will prove a summer joy. In the meantime this lawn is recommended for large collars and cuffs to wear over serge and other wool gowns. The use of grass linen for the waists of wool gowns is a very novel idea, and a very useful one too, since there are so many beautiful designs embroidered in all the oriental colors. Waists of different material from the skirt and sleeves seem to hold their own place on the list of fashion, but many of the new gowns have sleeves, skirt and bodice all alike.

With the advent of Easter come numerous weddings, and prospective brides will be interested to learn that simplicity is the keynote of the smartest Parisian wedding gowns. First, one must decide whether this all important dress is to be made of rich, soft silk or of satin. Having settled this momentous question, a careful contemplation of the following Parisian model is advised. It is of princess shape, which for wedding gowns is quite the approved style. Its absolute simplicity is relieved by little V shaped insertions of accordion plaited chiffon, which are let in on the corsage by the shoulder and bordered with trails of tiny orange blossoms, which eventually taper together into a smartly tied satin bow, and then are continued in a single line down the side seams of the dress, finishing at the foot with a large bow.

On the sleeves, too, the seams are outlined with orange blossoms, and there is a soft touch of chiffon at the wrist, and a novel arrangement of the collar, which is cut in a series of little square tabs, with tiny bunches of orange blossoms peeping out between. You could not well have anything more charming, and the outlay required for such a dress need not alarm any one.

The tulle veil is drawn up in two high loops and fastened to the hair by

A PARISIAN WEDDING DRESS.

little clusters of orange blossoms, then allowed to flow out in cloudy fullness.

Another and, if possible, more simple model, also from Paris, was a gown having a high, tight fitting collar of lace, finished with a tiny ruffled edging of chiffon and continued into a pointed yoke, from which came all the fullness of the bodice, which was very slightly pouched in front and drawn into a narrow, tight band of satin. Then there were close fitting epaulets of the lace and full puffed elbow sleeves, and for sole trimming three goodly sized bunches of orange blossoms—one at the left side of the corsage, a second at the right side of the waist, and the third and last midway on the skirt, which, by the way, was plain in front, though the slightly trained back was arranged in many full plaits. In this case the veil was worn over the face and drawn up into a high puff on the top of the head above a sort of half coronet of orange blossoms.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

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present available but the treasury department will endeavor to furnish answers after communicating with the respective mining recorders."

Mr. Kennedy asked the Premier:

Is it the intention of the government to introduce at this session any legislation for the purpose of—

(1) The payment of grand jurors?

(2) The better care of explosives?

Hon. Mr. Turner:

(1) "No."

(2) "The government have it under consideration."

The private bills committee reported that the following petitions complied with the rules:

13. Petition of the Ferry Company.

25. Petition of the Cottonwood River, B.C., Alluvial Gold Mining Company (Foreign).

27. Petition of the Kaslo and Lardeau-Duncan railway.

With regard to petition No. 28, of the Cariboo Railway Co., your committee beg leave to report that the standing orders have not been complied with, in as much as only five insertions of the notice in the local newspaper were given, but the committee recommend the suspension of the rules so as to admit of the bill being introduced.

The report was adopted.

It was 6 o'clock when the house adjourned.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Dr. Walkem—For a detailed statement in connection with the payment of $806.85 to the Western World for publishing descriptive matter of British Columbia, giving the dates of each payment, the title of the descriptive article, the date of publishing and the name of the person or persons to whom the checks were made payable, or the money was paid and copies of all orders in connection therewith.

Mr. Sword—That in the opinion of this house no charter giving any right of expropriation for the purpose of building a railway, a tramway, or giving power to appropriate water should be granted without its being stipulate therein that the powers so conferred are subject to the condition that sufficient security either in cash or approved bonds be given within at least three months after passage of the act, that the works authoized shall be carried out within the time and under the conditions specified in the act.

By Mr. Helmcken—To move that whereas this house learns with much regret that the government of the United States of America intend enacting an alien labor law containing a provision known as the "Corliss Amendment," inimical to the best interests of labor; and whereas it is within the power of this legislature to pass measures relating to the tenure of land and the regulation of labor, and more particularly affecting the citizens of the United States of America, which may result in disturbing the harmonious relations at present existing between the loyal subjects of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria and those of the United States of America; and whereas it is undesirable to pass any such laws, although it will be necessary, so far as lies within the power of this legislature, to protect the citizens of this province against such labor law; be it therefore resolved that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to communicate with the government of the Dominion of Canada, urging upon that government the desirability of making such representations to the President of the United States of America as will prevent the passage of said alien labor law, and thus render protective measures by this legislature unnecessary.

NOTICE OF QUESTION.

By Mr. Semlin—To ask the Chief Commissioner: What reply has been given to the petitions from Shuswap, Tappen Siding and Notch Hill asking for the construction of a road from Tappan Siding to Notch Hill and from there to Shuswap; what was the date of such reply?

Mr. Semlin—To ask the Chief Commissioner: Were tenders invited for building lock upon Mayne island; (a) number of such tenders; (b) names of tenderers; amount of tender; (c) the name of the tenderer to whom the contract was awarded.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

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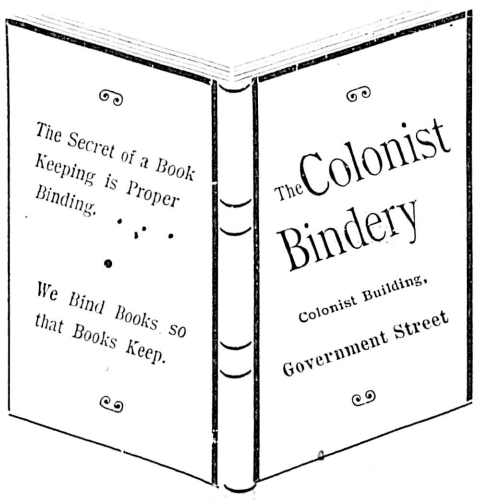

VICTOR JENSEN, deceased.—This is to give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at the next sitting, for a transfer of the license for the Boomerang Hotel, Court Alley, to sell wine, beer and spirits by retail, now standing in the name of Victor Jensen, to myself, Sarah Jensen.

SARAH JENSEN,
Executrix of the Estate of the late Victor Jensen.

January 29th, 1897. ja30

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 21, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	30	Mean 33	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	28		
9 a.m..	32	Highest 40	5 a.m.—4 N. 1 p.m.—Calm. 9 p.m.—Calm.
1 p.m.	38		
5 p.m..	38	Lowest 28	Rain—.01. No Sunshine.
9 p.m..	33.		

Barometer 9 a.m... Observed .....30.035 Reduced 30.033

ESQUIMALT STATION, Feb. 22, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	30	Mean 36	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	31		
9 a.m..	32.	Highest 45	5 a.m.—4 N.W. 1 p.m.—4 S.W. 9 p.m.—8 S.E.
1 p.m..	42		
5 p.m..	41	Lowest 30	Rain—.05. Sunshine—3 hrs. 36 min.
9 p.m..	39		

Barometer 9 a. m.... Observed .... 30.340 Reduced..... 30.339

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

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CHURTON—On the 20th inst., Arthur Churton, a native of London, England, aged 57 years.

The funeral will take place on TO-DAY, at 2:30 p.m., from the family residence, No. 62 Humboldt street, and at the Reformed Episcopal Church a few minutes later. Friends will please accept this intimation.

FOR FLOWER MEMORIALS that will last, call at Bradbury's Monumental Works, Cormorant street, one block above the City Hall.

THE British Columbia Benevolent Society and the ladies of the Friendly Help Society, which at present are in need of funds, are through the effort of Mr. F. Victor Austin to give Farmer's celebrated Grand Festival Mass in B. flat with full chorus and stringed orchestra of twenty instruments. The chorus is to comprise forty favorite local singers, accompanied by six first and six second violins, two violas, four violincellos and two double basses, comprising the best professional and amateur players in Victoria. The rehearsals take place in the Pioneer hall, on Mondays for orchestra and Tuesdays for chorus. The first was held last night when the orchestra went through their work with hardly a mistake. Seldom have so many good musicians been got together in Victoria, and this fact the more reflects credit on the manner in which the orchestra handled their work last night. Among those present at the practice were Miss Young, Mr. R. Nash and Mr. Freimouth. The chorus meets to-morrow night, when a good rehearsal is expected. It is understood that F. Victor Austin will produce some of his new compositions at this concert. His accompanists are Mrs. Austin Windle, a sister, and Miss Agnes Dawson. Considering the cause for which this concert is being got up, it will no doubt receive all the support of the musicians and of the public.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Educational Department Presented to the Legislature.

Comparisons of the Growth of the System for the Past Quarter Century.

In the annual report of the public schools of the province, presented in the legislature yesterday by Hon. Col. Baker, minister of education, Dr. Pope, superintendent of education, notes that the act creating the school system came into force in 1872, almost a quarter of a century ago. In 1872 there were 25 schools with an enrollment of 1,028 pupils, while to-day there are 233 schools in operation with 14,460 pupils.

The expenditure from the provincial treasury for education proper from the inception of the public school system to the 30th day of June of the present year was $2,146,114.52. The amount expended by the Lands and Works department for construction of school-houses, furniture, repairs, etc., was $402,479.54, thus making the total outlay for all purposes of education during this period $2,548,594.06.

The pupils showed an increase of 978 last year over the previous year. The teachers number 350, an increase of 31 over the year before. The schools in operation last year numbered 4 high schools, 21 graded schools, 5 ward schools and 190 common schools. In city districts the average attendance was 72.25; in rural districts 56.47, and for the province 64, a very creditable showing.

The cost of each pupil last year was $14.17, an increase of 15 cents over the year before. The expenditure last year by the provincial government for all purposes of education was: Education proper, $204,930; lands and works department, $29,404; total, $234,335. Thirty-one assisted schools are being maintained, i. e. schools where the teacher's salary and a small grant for incidental expenses is provided by the province. In newly created districts, there are schools at Anarchist Mountain, Bella Coola, Pender, Qualicum, Rossland, Spring Brook, South Okanagan, Trail and West Burnaby. The Chemainus school was also re-opened during last year.

In reference to high schools it is stated that the scholarship demanded for entrance is certainly equal to if not higher than that required in the other provinces. The advisability of giving diplomas to pupils on finishing one of the prescribed courses of study is now under consideration.

Of graded schools there are at present 22 in operation, 14 city and 8 rural. "The teachers of these schools are, generally speaking, thorough in their work, and not slow to utilize all the good features of new methods advanced by the best authorities of the day, and hence the work accomplished in the graded schools is on the whole of a most satisfactory character."

There are 202 common schools in operation. There is a large yearly increase in these schools, especially in Yale and Kootenay districts. In East and West Kootenay in 1891 there were only four school, employing four teachers; now there are in those districts 18 schools, with 22 teachers.

The average salaries of teachers in city districts in 1895-6 was $62.75 per month, and in rural districts $55.24 per month. The certificates were:

Class and Grade.	City Districts.	Rural Districts.
First Class, Grade A.....	20	14
" " B.....	25	37
Second Class, " A.....	37	52
" " B.....	37	84
Third Class, " A.....	7	6
" " B.....	2	8
Length of Service	2	3
Temporary.....	..	1

In addition to the above number of teachers in rural districts, there were employed fifteen monitors, three males and twelve females, at the rate of $40 per month.

ABSTRACT OF ATTENDANCE FOR 1895-96.

Pupils enrolled during the year ...	14,460
Increase for the year.....	978
Number of boys enrolled.....	7,437
Increase for the year.....	389
Number of girls enrolled.....	7,023
Increase for the year.....	589
Average actual daily attendance ...	9,254.25
Increase for the year.....	643.94
Number enrolled in high schools ..	460
Decrease for the year	55
Average actual attendance high schools	287.87
Average attendance graded and ward schools.....	5,491.43
Average actual attendance in rural schools	3,474.95
Number of school districts.....	193
Increase for year.....	10

Inspector Wilson in his report says that in reading the results have been commendable, but very good reading is not common. A good standard of efficiency has been reached in spelling, but enough poor and medium work has been observed to justify him in calling attention to the matter. In writing during the past year poor or indifferent work has been too frequently observed, but the introduction of the vertical system has undoubtedly had a beneficial effect. In support of this statement it may be said that perhaps the most satisfactory progress in writing was to be seen in schools where the vertical style has been adopted. Arithmetic Inspector Wilson has little fault to find with. He refers to other studies, and so does Inspector Burns, the latter observing that it is very gratifying to find that much attention is devoted to keeping good order in the schools. Both inspectors have good advice to give on the various subjects, and both speak on the desirability of calesthenics in the schools and note with satisfaction the increased attention given to that department.

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HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

Revival of the Lumber Trade—Farmers to Interview the Government on Cheap Money.

"We are only waiting," says Delegate C. Hillyer, of Nelson, now at the Victoria, "for the bill to pass the legislature which will incorporate our city to make Nelson the leading mining centre of the province. The Attorney-General promised us to bring the bill up for the first reading to-day, and he expects we will be away in a week. Then with our natural resources and a little aid from the government you will see Nelson stride ahead." "How is the town now? Well, we have had a good deal of typhoid fever this last summer, but the town is pretty free of it now and every one is looking forward to spring with a good heart.

"I have just been for a trip to Vancouver," Mr. Hillyer continued, "and though the people over there claim it to 'booming,' it seems to me that there are just as many people here. One thing, they have better streets there than you have here; and you want to brush your new council up a bit in this regard."

George B. McAulay of Camp McKinney mining fame, left for Spokane last night by the Rosalie, en route to the camp. He hopes soon to be back again, and though he has a thorough belief in the future of the mining camp, he thinks Victoria a good place to come to. He hopes to see the railroad through his section within a couple of years.

The lumber trade is showing a marked improvement at present, according to the report of Mr. E. J. Palmer, manager of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company's Chemainus mill, who registered at the Driard yesterday. "While we haven't much to say about our part of the country we are not complaining," he observed last evening. "Business is rushing—so much so that we are running night and day, and even then find it hard to keep up with the orders. Oh yes, the lumber trade is looking up at last I'm glad to say."

Mr. A. S. Vedder arrived last night on the Louise. He is one of the delegates appointed by the Farmers' Alliance to interview the provincial government re cheap money. The other members of the delegation are Messrs. R. Rowan, H. T. Thrift, A. Ferguson, Capt. Thompson, R. G. Clarke, R. McBride, L. Hutcherson, W. H. Hayward and G. Hawden.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Mr. Justice Drake Hands Down an Important and Interesting Ruling in the "American Boy" Suit.

A case of peculiar and especial interest to mining men as well as to all members of the legal profession was decided in the Supreme court yesterday, when Mr. Justice Drake handed down his judgment in the action of Kilbourne v. McGuigan—better known as the "American Boy" suit.

The owners of the "American Boy" gave notice in the British Columbia Gazette of November, 1895, of intended application in 60 days for certificate of improvements. Notice was in the form as provided in the amending act of 1894—and stated that adverse claims were to be sent to the gold commissioner. The legislature whilst altering the form of notice did not change the act wherein it provided that where claims were recorded with a mining recorder, adverse claims should be filed with the mining recorder.

The owners of the Ajax and Treasure Vault filed their adverse claims in time with the gold commissioner pursuant to notice published, but did not file with the mining recorder of the district at New Denver. The owners of the Ajax and Treasure Vault instructed Mr. McArthur to commence an action on the adverse claims, but, owing to accident and mistake, this was not done.

However, negotiations for a settlement were proceeding throughout the time until it was seen that no binding agreement could be come to. The owners of the Ajax and Treasure Vault then made application to the court to extend the time notwithstanding the expiry of same to commence an action to sustain the adverse claims.

Mr. Justice Drake holds that although the notice published may have misled the owners of the Ajax and Treasure Vault, yet there was the obligation to comply with the act in other respects, viz: To file the adverse claims with the mining recorder—citing particularly sections 21 and 126 of the act of 1891, section 14 of the act of 1892, and section 9 of the act of 1893. The learned judge concludes with the following words:

"Whether or not notice is given to the gold commissioner it must be given to the mining recorder of the district; this has not been done and no adverse claim can now be set up." The application for extension of time was therefore refused.

An appeal will most probably be taken. Mr. A. E. McPhillips appeared for the adverse claimants; Mr. Gordon Hunter contra.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

Personal Paragraphs by the Wire Condensed for Busy People's Reading.

J. A. Armstrong, of Medicine Hat, has been elected president of the Orange Grand Lodge of the Northwest Territory.

Madame Laurier arrived in Toronto yesterday en route home from Los Angeles. She is accompanied by Dr. Laurier, brother of the Premier, who is seriously ill with consumption.

Emperor William is confined to his room by an abcess on his right knee. He will probably be unable to leave the palace for some days.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher had another relapse yesterday, and it is thought the end will come within twenty-four hours.

M. Le Royer, ex-president of the French senate, is dead.

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THE CASE OF MRS. JONES.

Nervous Prostration of the Defendant Necessitates a Week's Continuation—Police Methods Attacked.

In the provincial police court yesterday afternoon the case of Mrs. Ella Jones, of Saanich—the circumstances in which were related in Sunday's COLONIST, was brought for hearing before Stipendiary Magistrate Macrae. Mr. Archer Martin appeared for the accused and stated that she was suffering from acute nervous prostration, while Dr. Frank Hall testified to the fact that she would be unable to appear for at least a week. A remand was accordingly asked for.

Superintendent Hussey in this event urged that the bail bonds be raised, as there was a possibility of another and more serious charge being laid against the accused.

Mr. Martin vigorously objected to this, and made some rather serious allegations against the police as to the handling of Mrs. Jones and the way she had been treated, which matters, he said, would be fully brought up on a subsequent occasion.

Mr. Hussey pointed out that the proceedings had been altogether irregular, and that the defendant should now be in custody as the bonds under which she had been liberated on Sunday were only applicable until Monday at 2 o'clock.

After some discussion between the Magistrate, Supt. Hussey, Mr. Douglass and Mr. Ledingham—one of the bondsmen—provincial constable Beaven was sent to the latter's house to take charge of Mrs. Jones until bonds were submitted, Mrs. Jones herself in $1,000, and two others in $500 each, to the satisfaction of Supt. Hussey. This was done about 6:30 p.m., and the case is now set for hearing next Monday, the 1st March.

THE stars and stripes floated proudly over the United States consulate in this city yesterday in honor of the birthday of the "father of the republic," while throughout the United States Washington's birthday was more generally celebrated than in recent years. At San Diego, Cal., permission was granted to land sailors and marines from H.M.S. Comus to take part in the celebration in conjunction with the forces of the United States ships, and to participate in the parade, carrying their arms.

"THE Haymakers," an operetta by George F. Root, was presented in St. Luke's hall, Cedar Hill, under the direction of Mr. C. E. Welsh, in aid of St. Luke's church, last evening, the cost being as follows: Farmer, Mr. H. Moxon; Mary (his daughter), Miss J. Tolmie; Anna, Miss King; William (first assistant), Mr. E. Mallandaine, jr.; John (second assistant), Mr. L. C. Johnson; Snipkins (a young man from the city unused to rural affairs), Mr. J. Custance; dairy maid, Miss E. Tolmie; stage manager, Mr. J. W. Tolmie and pianist, Miss Grooves. All sustained their parts well and the reproduction on Monday night next in the agricultural hall, Saanich, should be well attended.

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CREAM OF THE NEWS.

Notes of the Old and New World's Doings of the Past Day.

VENICE, Feb. 22.—The sanitary conference has adopted a motion calling on all powers with Mussulman subjects to take measures to prevent the pilgrimage to Mecca this year.

HALIFAX, Feb. 22.—Premier Murray regards the proposed increase of the United States tariff on our coal as very unfortunate in view of the present efforts to obtain reciprocity.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Jean Francois de Gravelot, better known as Blondin, is dead. He commenced his perilous performances when four years old and won his greatest fame by his crossing of Niagara Falls in 1859, being the first to perform this feat.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—The Brothers of the Christian Schools are preparing to vote at the forthcoming Quebec election under the provisions of the law whereby teachers are qualified.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Lord Sandhurst, governor of Bombay, cables that the deaths in Bombay for the week ending February 19, were 1,722. The disease has manifested a slight tendency to spread, but it is diminishing in worse quarters.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 23.—As an outcome of agitation at Seoul and the departure of the King of Corea from the Russian legation, three Russian warships at Chemulpo have dispatched 80 men with a gun to Seoul.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 23.—Archbishop Grace, one of the most distinguished prelates of America, died here to-day. He was born in Charleston, N.C., in 1814, and his career was one of exceptional piety and usefulness. For a number of years he had taken no active part in the affairs of the diocese, but lived quietly at St. Thomas seminary.

HAD LITTLE TO SAY.

Manitoba Legislature Adopt "The Address" After Brief Discussion—Local Leadership Gossip.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 22.—The debate to-day in the Manitoba legislature on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was the shortest on record, lasting only two hours. Mr. A. C. Fraser, of Brandon, made his maiden speech in moving the address in reply, and was followed by Mr. Dickie, of Avondale. Mr. Pare, a French member entered a protest against the school question clause of the address, claiming the matter was not settled as the parties most interested had not been consulted. There were no other speakers, and the address in reply was passed without objection.

A dispatch from Montreal says: "The rumor that Hon. Hugh John Macdonald will retire from Federal politics to accept the leadership of the Conservatives in the Manitoba house, is revived by the presence there of Sir Charles Tupper and Robert Rogers, who had a conference at the Windsor. Mr. Rogers would neither affirm nor deny the truth of the report and Hugh John will shortly blossom out as leader of the local opposition forces. Hugh John, it is understood, will abide by Tupper's wishes.

OTTAWA, Feb. 22.—Sir Charles Tupper is being urged to allow Hugh John Macdonald to accept the leadership of the Conservative opposition in Manitoba, in order to oust the Greenway government. The prospects are that he will consent.

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